resorted to by the State Governments/ Central Government;

(b) if so, what are the guidelines or statutory provisions made for such tapping of telephones of VIPs|Ministers;

(c) if the reply to (a) be negative, what steps have been taken by Central Government against the phone tapping as reported by the Press;

(d) whether Government are aware of the phone tapping of the Chief Minister of Haryana State on the orders of one of his Cabinet colleagues, as reported in *Jan Satta,* dated the 8/9th July, 1990;

(e) if so, what action has been taken by Central Government against the said Minister;

(f) whether Government would set up a Commission to inquire into phone tapping of VIPs|Ministers; and

(g) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Not to the knowledge of the Department of Telecommunications.

(b) There are no such provisions in the Indian Telegraph Act for tapping of the telephones of the VIPs/Ministers.

(c) and (d) No phone tapping has been authorised by the Department of Telecommunications and therefore question of taking action as reported by the Press does not arise.

(e) to (g) Does not arise.

Report on Elections of Tripura tribal areas autonomous District Council

3246. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any report from Governor of Tripura on the Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District council election held on the 8th July, 1990; and

(b) if so, what are the salient points of this report and what action Government propose to take thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Disclosure of the contents of Governors' reports would not be appropriate.

Immigrants from Bangladesh and Pakistan

3247. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of illegal immigrants from Bangladesh and Pakistan come to Delhi by trains and then become untraceable;

(b) whether Government have made any efforts to locate illegal Bangladeshi and Pakistani nationals in areas like Nizamuddin in Delhi;

(c) if so, the number of such persons; detected during the last six months; and

(d) if the answer to part (b) above be in negative, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (d) There are reports of Bangladesh nationals coming to Delhi illegally. Since they enter surreptitiously and go underground, it is not possible to determine how many such persons have come to Delhi or India. However, there is no information about Pakistani nationals coming to Delhi illegally. There are standing instructions to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations to detect and deport foreign infiltrators.

Road accidents on National Highways

3248. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of rise in the road accidents on the National High-

ways and in the metropolitan cities of Delhi, Bombay, Madras and Calcutta during 1988, 1989 and 1990 till date;

(b) how the road accidents in the country are rated when compared with the road accidents in other countries like Sweden, etc.;

(c) whether any assessment has been made to know the adequacy or otherwise of the existing law in bringing down the rate of accidents in the country; and

(d) what measures are contemplated by the Government to strengthen the law-enforcing machinery and to bring changes, if any, in the existing law to make it more stringent to check the road accidents?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) Figures of the number of road accidents on National Highways are available for the years 1987 and 1988. Compared to the figures of 1987, the year 1988 showed a decline of 24.6 per cent. The figures for 1989 and 1990 are as yet not made available by the States.

The data for four metropolitan cities regarding the number of road accidents during 1987, 1988 and 1989 and the percentage increase over the previous year are given below:—

City	1987	1988	1989
(i) Delhi	6238	6716	7192
percentage increase/decrease over previous year		+7·7	+7·1
(ii) Bombay	28400	27191	26286
percentage increase/decrease over previous year		—4·3	—3·3
(iii) Madras	5682	5568	N A
percentage increase/decrease over previous year		—2·1	..
(iv) Calcutta	6889	7061	NA
percentage increase/decrease over previous year		+2·50	..

(b) On the basis of figures in the 'World Road Statistics, 1987, brought out by International Road Federation, Washington, the rate of road accidents for selected countries having the highest number of road accidents per 1000 vehicles, during 1986 is as follows:—

S.No.	Country	accidents per 1000 vehicles
1	Mauritius	73·75
2	Hongkong	48·15
3	Kuwait	36·19
4	India	19·70
5	Tunisia	17·33
6	South Africa	14·88

S. No.	Country	accidets per 1000 Vehicles
7	Cyprus	13·09
8	Austria	11·97
9	Yemen Arab Republic	11·94
10	Federal Republic of Germany	9·96
11	Sweden x	4·1156

The above figures place India at the 4th position.

(c) & (d) The provisions of MV Act, 1939 were reviewed and as a result, stricter provisions have been incorporated in the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and the MV Rules, 1989 regarding road safety. Procedures for grant of driving licence and certificates of fitness of vehicles were made stringent. Formal training in a driving school is made a pre-requisite for issuance of licence to drive transport vehicles. Uniform intervals for checking the fitness of vehicles have been prescribed for applicability throughout the country. Maximum safe landed weight are land down for goods carriages. Maximum speed limits have also been prescribed. The Enforcement Divisions of the transport Departments and the traffic police Authorities in the States have been empowered to take action against the violators of regulations. Under the Motor Vehicles Act, the State Governments are also required to formulate and implement various schemes for promoting road safety, including setting up of Traffic Aid posts, establishment of Truck Parking complexes along Highways, constitution of State level Road Safety Co-uncils for formulating and implementing measures of road safety.

बाल फिल्म सोसाइटी

3249. **श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी :** क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बाल फिल्म सोसाइटी ने सरकार को यह सुझाव दिया है कि दूरदर्शन पर प्रति सप्ताह एक बाल फिल्म प्रदर्शित की जानी चाहिए; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्री (श्री पी. उपेन्द्र) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) जबकि दूरदर्शन का प्रयास यह रहा है कि बच्चों के अधिक से अधिक कार्यक्रम प्रसारित किए जाएं लेकिन बाल चित्र समिति, द्वारा निर्मित कार्यक्रमों के प्रसारण के लिए प्रति सप्ताह समय नियत करने के सुझाव को स्वीकार करना प्रसारण के लिए उन कार्यक्रमों के लम्बे अर्से तक उपलब्ध होने और उनकी उपयुक्तता पर निर्भर करता है ।

Revamping of intelligence Bureau

3250. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Prime Minister has stressed the need to revamp Intelligence Bureau, as it failed to give the information regarding change of Chief Ministers in Haryana in the second week of July, 1990;

(b) whether IB is used to get political information also; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI